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TO AMEMBASSY CONAKRY

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SUBJECT: AIR ALASKA

REF: (A) CONAKRY 1733

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1. WE APPRECIATE EQUITABLE CONSIDERATIONS SUMMARIZED REFTEL FAVORING WRITE-OFF OF GOG DEBT FROM AIR ALASKA TRANSACTIONS THOUGH CASE NOT AS SIMPLE OR CLEAR AS PERCEIVED BY GOG. BASIC ISSUE FOR USG, HOWEVER, IS WHETHER LEGAL AUTHORITY TO FORGIVE DEBT RESTS WITH EXECUTIVE BRANCH OR CONGRESS. AS EXPLAINED IN LETTER TO FOLLOW, THIS IS NOT ARTIFICIAL "LEGALISM" BUT COMPLEX CONSTITUTIONAL LAW PROBLEM RELEVANT TO MANY ANALOGOUS DEBT SITUATIONS WHERE POLITICAL AND MORAL CONSIDERATIONS ALSO FAVOR FORGIVENESS. CONSEQUENTLY IT APPEARS UNLIKELY AIR ALASKA PROBLEM CAN BE ADDRESSED IN ISOLATION OR RESOLVED WITHIN NEAR FUTURE. EFFORTS TOWARDS THIS GOAL ARE UNDERWAY HOWEVER. UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES, CONTINUATION OF STATUS QUO (NO BILLINGS) APPEARS BEST COURSE OF ACTION AT THIS TIME.

2. DEPT/AID PROPOSAL (REF B) ON DISPOSITION OF HULKS
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